## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GEORGE RED, JR.,

No. C 13-00641 YGR (PR)

Petitioner,

ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO DISMISS; AND DENYING CERTIFICATE OF APPEALABILITY

KEVIN CHAPPELL, Warden,

Respondent.

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v.

Petitioner, a state prisoner, filed this *pro se* petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 and an application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* (IFP). Petitioner has filed a previous petition for a writ of habeas corpus with this Court, challenging the same conviction and sentence. *See* Case No. C 04-4408 JW (PR). The Court denied the first petition on the merits.

Respondent has moved to dismiss the petition as successive under 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b). (Docket No. 8.)

For the reasons discussed below, the Court grants Respondent's motion to dismiss.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Court finds the present petition is a second or successive petition attacking the same conviction and sentence as Petitioner's prior federal habeas petition. A second or successive petition containing new claims may not be filed in the district court unless Petitioner first obtains from the United States Court of Appeals an order authorizing the district court to consider the petition. 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A). Petitioner has not done so. Consequently, the instant petition must be classified as a successive petition. Petitioner has not presented an order from the Ninth Circuit authorizing this Court to consider any new claims. *See id.* Accordingly, Respondent's motion to dismiss (Docket No. 8) is GRANTED, and this petition is DISMISSED without prejudice to filing a new habeas action if Petitioner obtains the necessary order.

## **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, Respondent's motion to dismiss the petition as successive (Docket No. 8) is GRANTED. The instant petition is DISMISSED as a successive petition pursuant to § 2244(b).

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No certificate of appealability is warranted in this case. See Rule 11(a) of the Rules
Governing § 2254 Cases, 28 U.S.C. foll. § 2254 (requiring district court to rule on certificate of
appealability in same order that denies petition). Petitioner has not shown "that jurists of reason
would find it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a constitutional right
and that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the district court was correct in its
procedural ruling." Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000).

The Clerk of the Court shall enter judgment in accordance with this Order, terminate all other pending motions, and close the file.

This Order terminates Docket No. 8.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: <u>August 16, 2013</u>

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE